The Bordesley Lodge

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Consecration

Thursday

22nd March, 1923

At 2.45 p.m.

#### Antient & Honourable Fraternity of Free & Accepted Masons

Provincial Grand Master

SOUL The Rt. Wor. Bro. General Sir Francis J. Davies K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., P.G.D.,

Deputy Provincial Grand Master

The Wor. Bro. William Thomas Page, P.G.D.

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Deputy Provincial Grand Master

Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire

in the

Church Institute, Redditch

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## Provincial Grand Officers

assisting in

## The Consecration Ceremony

Wor. Bro. S. S. SOMERS, G. Treas. Eng.

P.P.G.W. as S.W

Wor. Bro. W. SOMERS

Bro. The Rev. R. A. NORRIS

P.P.G. Chap. as Cha-

Wor. Bro. R. A ERNEST PAYNE, P.A.G.D.C. Eng., P.P.G.W.

Wor. Bro. S. E. JAMES

Prov. G.E.C.

Wor. Bro. G. C. LING

Prov. A.C. D.C. as As t. D.C.

Bro. ARTHUR M. SLATTER

Org. as Organist

Wor. Bro. FRANK DAWES

G. Thomas, P.M. 2804

#### MUSIC

Under the direction of Bro. A. M. SLATTER, Prov. G. Organist)

Wor. Bro. ENOCH RICHARDSON

Bro. PERCY FULLWOOD

Bro. ERNEST R. LUDLOW

Bro. ERNEST DAVIES

### Order of Procedure.

- 1. The Brethren assemble in the Lodge Room
- 2. The Consecrating Officer, having entered in procession with the Grand Officers, takes the Chair and appoints his Officers

#### 3. Opening Hymn

Hail Eternal by Whose aid All created things were made; Heaven and earth Thy vast design, Hear us, Architect Divine. May our work, began in Thee, Ever blest with out the; And may we when labours cea Part in harmony and peace

By Thy glorious Majesty,
By the trust we place in The,
By the badge and mystic sign,
Hear us, Archite Chiyine. So not the,

- 4. The Lodge is opened in the Three Degrees
- 5. The Consecrating thicer Adveses the Brethren on the motive of the breeting, and calls upon the Chaplain to give the
- 6. Opening Prayer
- 7. CHANT (OMNES). "So mote it be"
- 8 The Director of Ceremonies addresses the Consec-
- 9. The Consecrating Officer replies and gives directions
- The Brethren of the New Lodge are arranged in order
- 11. The Provincial Grand Secretary reads the Warrant
- 12. The Consecrating Officer enquires of the Brethren if they approve of the Officers named in the Warrant
- 13. The Brethren signify their approval in Masonic form

#### 14. An Oration

On the Nature and Principles of the Institution, by the Chaplain

#### 15. Anthem

Behold how good and joyful a thing it is, brethren, to dwell together

It is like the precious ointment upon the head that ran down unto the beard, even unto Asron's beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing.

It is like the dew of Hermon, which fell upon the hill of Zion.

For there the Lord promised His blessing, and life for evermore

So mote it be.

- 16. Dedication Prayer (First Port on)
- 17. CHANT (OMNES): "So mote it be
- 18. MUSICAL RESPONSE. Glory Go to The Q God
- 19. The Brethren turn towards the Fast whilst the Consecrating Officer pronounces
- 20. The Invocation
- 21. CHANT (OMNES): "So mote it be"
- 22. The Chaptain reads II. Chron., Chap. ii., verses
- 23. The Consecrating Officer directs the Lodge Board to be uncovered, and the Consecrating Officer and Wardens carry the elements of Consecration three times round the Lodge, halting in the east at each perambulation
- 24. Before the first Circuit the Chaplain reads Psalm lxxii., verse 16
- 25. The Brethren sing-

When once of old in Israel,
Our early Brethren wrought with toil.
Jehovah's blessings on them fell
In showers of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

- 26. The Consecrating Officer scatters corn—the symbol of Plenty
- 27. MUSICAL RESPONSE. Glory be to God on High
- 28. Before the second circuit the Chaplain reads Nehemiah, chap. x., verse 39

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29. The Brethren sing-

When there a shrine to Him alone
They built, with worship, sia to foil,
On threshold and on Corner-stone,
They poured out Corn, and Wine, and Oih

- 30. The Consecrating Officer pours wheethe symbol of joy and cheerfulness
- 31. MUSICAL RESPONSE. Close be to God on High
- 32. Before the third circuit the Chaptain reads Exodus chap. xxx.. Verses 25 and 26
- 33. The Brethren sing-

A to be have come remeal bands, With joy and poide, and prosperous spoil To honour Higher votive hands With streams of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

- 34. The Confectating Officer pours Oil—the symbol of Pace and Unanimity
- 85. NUSICAL RESPONSE.—Glory be to God on High
- 36. Before the fourth circuit the Chaplain reads Leviticus, chap. ii., verse 13
- 37. The Brethren sing-

Now o'er our work this salt we shower, Emblem of Thy conservant power; And may Thy presence, Lord, we pray, Keep this our temple from decay.

- 38. The Consecrating Officer sprinkles Salt—the symbol of Fidelity and Friendship
- 39. Musical Response.—Glory be to God on High
- 40. The Consecrating Officer Dedicates the Lodge
- 41. Antbem
  - O how amiable are Thy dwellings Thou Lord of Hosts. My so I hath a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord, my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Blessed we shey that dwell in Thy house; they shall always be praising The. Hallelujah!
- 42. The Chaplain takes the Censer three times round the Lodge, and halts in the east
- 43. Dedication Proper (Second Portion)
- 44. CHANT (OMNES). "So mote it be"
- 45. The Consecrating Officer Constitutes

  the Lodge
- 46. CHANT (OM (ES): "So mote it be"
- 47: Patriarchal Benediction
- 48. CHANT (OMNES): "So mote it be"

God save our gracious King,
Long live our noble King,
God save the King,
Send him victorious.
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.

## Lodge Business

The Installation of the Worshipful Maner

Designate

By the Deputy Provincial Grand Mester

To elect the Treasurer

To elect the Charity

To elect the Tyler

The W.M. will appoint and invest the Officers and invest the Treasury, Charity Steward and Tyler

To adopt the By-Laws of the Lodge

To receive propositions of Brethren wishing to join the

To popose Candidates for Initiation

To collect Alms

Wor. Deputy Provincial Grand and his Officers will retire

The Lodge will be closed

# Masonic Founders and First Officers

Wor. Bro. W. G. THOMAS, 2804 W.M.

Wor. Bro. F. W. SMITH, 2804 I.P.M.

Wor. Bro. A. V. TERRY, 1804 S.W.

J.W. Bro. T. C. VAICHETT, 2801-4/3

Wor. Bro. CHAS HARRISON, 2804 Treasurer

Wor. B. FRANK NEASOM, 2804 Secretary

Wor. Bro. A. H. HAINES, 2804

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